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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO-SB08A form, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent. Foreign Patent Document Cite Nos. 1-4 were cited in an Office Action dated July 25, 2006 in connection with corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-191815 and Foreign Patent Document Cite Nos. 5-8 were cited in an Office Action dated July 25, 2006 with corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-191818. Copies of the references and machine translations are attached.

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